



Mentor Logistics

Faculty Orientation



The school coordinator and mentor must conduct a Gold Medal School Faculty Orientation during the first few months of the school year to introduce Gold Medal Schools to the faculty and staff of the school. The faculty orientation should include the following elements:

1. Introduction of the school mentor (you!)
2. Introduction of Gold Medal School Criteria
3. Introduction of the Gold Medal Mile and identification of a goal
4. Identification of a Kick-Off Assembly date
5. Brainstorming (i.e. discussing which medal status the school can achieve for year one, determining how to communicate GMS information and updates throughout the school, and coming up with creative ways of implementing the criteria)

It is vital to the success of GMS that the entire school be involved in this program. Invite food service, administrators, PTA representative, all teachers, and all other interested persons to the orientation. Emphasize that while some work will be required of faculty, staff and volunteers this program is supported through the mentor and the Local Health Department. Remind them that their work will be rewarded by the improved health of their students, and the rewards associated with becoming a Bronze, Silver, Gold or Platinum school.